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Paul J. McNulty, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, announced that Donald Lee Liverman, Jr., age 49, of Virginia Beach, Virginia, pled guilty today to tax evasion. Liverman faces up to 5 years of imprisonment and a fine of up to \$100,000 when sentenced by United District Judge James R. Spencer on January 30, 2006.

As part of his plea, Liverman acknowledged in court that he owned and operated a telemarketing business known as "Voxcom, Inc," and that he withheld over \$370,000.00 in federal employment taxes for his employees. Liverman also admitted that he failed to pay the full tax owed on income he earned from 1998 through 2002, which included income from Voxcom as well as income from a Richmond based real estate development firm he operated known as "1st Homes, Inc." In addition, Liverman acknowledged that he engaged in several acts of evasion, intended to hide his assets from authorities, including the May 2000 purchase of a \$600,000 residence in Virginia Beach in the name of his then business partner. He also concealed income from the IRS by diverting \$459,000 in income into his wife's bank accounts. As a result of his plea, Liverman has agreed to pay \$691,000 in taxes, penalties and interest owed to the IRS.

Also announcing the guilty plea are Charles R. Pine, Special Agent-in-Charge, Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Division, Alexandria Field Office; and Robert J. Brickley, Special Agent-in-Charge, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of the Inspector General, Mid-Atlantic Region.

The case was investigated by agents of the Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of the Inspector General. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Laura C. Marshall.